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In the library, students have the advantage of reference books as well as checking out books for their own enjoyment. Mr. Weick is our librarian.



Drag racing on a straight track is just one of the many aspects members of the Ram-rodders Car Club enjoy. Mr. Short is the sponsor.

Learning Is Main Objective Of Extra Activities

From the time we take that first step as a child, each day becomes one of observing and learning. Each of us must learn to live with others. We listen and discover how to take care of ourselves. Many steps must be learned before any of us are actually well-adjusted and well-educated enough to face our world and its many complex problems.

Some of these steps of learning are easy in comparison with others. However, we often encounter many difficult problems which seem to block our learning path.

Junior high school students encounter harder and longer steps than they had to stride in earlier grades. Our school provides us ways of learning through its classes, clubs, participation in sports, and through convocations. These, then, are our steps.

During study hall and before and after school, these three girls, left to right, Ruth Bilger, Nancy Mc-Cormick and Pam Good, take many steps in the office helping secretaries keep records and performing other duties. They are members of the Service Club.





Mr. Short, right, gives information to boys on the proper usage of all the shop equipment. This instruction is necessary to have a good finished product. Pictured left to right are Terry Stoll, Leon Kowalenko, and Gary Austin.



Students need a break from all their studies. The cafetorium during the lunch hour presents ninth graders with a chance to do more than eat; they talk and compare notes on the day's activities.

Time Out From Regular Classroom Routines

Seventh grade winners of the annual Spelling Bee were Richard Beck, Tom Neumann, and Jim Gilb.



Eighth grade winners of the Annual Spelling Bee were Sally Helburg, Judy Boothby, and John Escosa.





How to cook, sew, and keep house are just part of the many things Mrs. Bowers teaches her Home Economics classes. Bobbie Sanders is demonstrating the proper way to set a table while Mrs. Bowers instructs Barbara Buketoff, Judy Boothby and Karen Abbott how to mix ingredients for baking.

Each Student Learns and Observes In Classes

—Important steps to learning take place in classrooms.

—Mrs. Bowers aids her eighth grade girls in the many fundamentals of preparing meals while many others observe.

—Geography is an important part of the seventh grade curriculum.

Mr. Hauk, advisor, shows some of his Chemistry Club members the important steps in the functioning of machinery.



Mr. Edwards, right, looks on as two of his seventh grade students point out a city in Australia to him. Locating important places in the world is a big step in studying geography.





Two Dunbars, Melvin and Booker, please the audience when they perform at the annual Talent Show.



Over \$8,400 was sold by energetic Portage students during the annual candy sale. Many steps were climbed during the two-week drive.

Awards Day Recognizes Outstanding Students

Special days throughout the year give a great opportunity for students to learn other than school curriculum work. At the annual lalent Show students give almost professional performances for the enjoyment of other students and parents. Students learn to meet the public when they sell candy once

Dr. Kariger has just announced that two girls will share the honor of being the highest academic achievers. Phyllis Root and Joan Boling will both have their names on this plaque. a year. They do this to help provide money for needed equipment in the school which cannot be provided by regular school funds. The Annual Awards Day program, highlighting the year, honors students who have done outstanding work in their own fields during the year.

At the close of school each year an awards convocation is held to honor those students who have performed ably during the past year. In this picture Mr. Short is shown presenting a football pin to Gregg Neiman while others wait for theirs.







Between periods, Portage students step in many directions in order that they may arrive at their next class on time. Of course, a little coaxing by some of the teachers always seems to speed up the process of heading in the right direction.

Whether it is stepping into a science, math, English, or gym class, all students receive an excellent foundation for future careers.

Some of the steps seem to be rather long ones, but with a great stride we are able to accomplish them. This conquering of each step leaves students with many personal feelings of satisfaction.

Steps To Remember: Good Attendance And Being Prompt To Class

This view shows one of the many clear and peaceful halls at Portage while classes are in session.



"Buzz" goes the bell and out hustle pupils on their way to take a break between periods. Soon the mad rush will be underway again when the bell rings to start the next period.







Student Council members seated left to right include Stan Fishman, Debbie Blough, LaVerne Ransom, Jim Houser, Nancy Scrogham, secretary, Richard Cooper, president, Bob Homan, vice-president, Beth Egar, Vicki Wilson, Joyce Boothby, and Emmett Evans. Standing left to right are Earl Richards, Mike Duffey, Gary Burd, Linda Summers, Alan Haak, Rick Dahman, Melvin Miller, Craig Bushey, Steve Crismore, Barb Gebhard, Eric Ornas, Gary Morningstar, Ted Watson, Scott Irmscher, and Rick Capps. Mr. Casso is sponsor.

School Council, Boosters, School Workers Strive For Improvements

Mr. Heaston has charge of the Booster Club, which is composed of Student Council alternates from each homeroom. Pictured left to right front row are Marjie Newhart, Dane Bruner and Mr. Heaston. Second row left to right are Gregg Neiman, Mike Karol, Cheryl Kolb, and Liz Greenler. Third row left to right are Tom Borne, Rick Chamberlain, Gary Kelley and Jerry Crothers. In the top row left to right are Gary Austin, Tim Raymer, Annie Broughton, and Joan Drummond.



"The pulse of Portage" is what we might call the Student Council. The Student Council is the force behind many school improvements, physical and mental.

Mr. Casso sponsors the Student Council while Mr. Heaston is in charge of the Booster Club.

Boosters are busy from fall to spring. Their activities begin with football season and don't end until the last basketball is shot. They provided candy for each home game and supported each social dance.

Boosters! That's what all students should be, to help boost the Portage spirit.



Many helpers work in the library under the direction of Mr. Weick. Pictured left to right with Mr. Weick are Carole Jarboe, Debbie LeFever, and Judy Boothby.



Fifty-three hard-working students, shown here with Mr. Weick, school librarian, aid him in his many duties as a librarian. Students do jobs ranging from checking out, repairing, and shelving books, to working with the card catalogue and writing fine notices. Their work is deeply appreciated at Portage.

Students Serve As Librarians, Office Helpers

Service Club members help with the various office duties. Seated left to right are Vicki Wilson, Kay Howell, Suzanne Meyers, and Kathy Bush. Standing left to right are Leslie Hinton, Pam Good, Betty Zehendner, Janet Russell, Karen Banks, Ruth Bilger, Diane Sarles, and Paula Refeld.





Group of talented students worked many long hard hours before competing in the Northern Indiana Schools Band, Orchestra, and Vocal Association contest at Portage in January. Many of the groups received first ratings while others were rated second.

Our instrumental department has an orchestra, stage band and varsity band, all under the careful and watchful eye of Mr. Donald Parlette. The 1964-65 varsity band is one of the largest we have had in years at Portage as it contains about 65 members.

Students Enjoy Playing

Solo and ensemble groups rated high in the Northern Indiana School Band, Orchestra, and Vocal Association contests in January. Students not only get awards for competing, but further their musical abilities.





Mr. Parlette, director, organized the Portage orchestra during the early part of the second semester. This group of approximately 40 musicians performed at convocations during the second term and did a very commendable job.

While Improving Music Talents

Portage's swinging stage band adds color to many activities throughout the year as it performs often for various school functions. It is 19 strong in number and is directed by Mr. Parlette.





Ruth Smith, Katie Dickmeyer, Leslie Hinton, Cheryl Kolb, Charlotte Wilson, Debbie Arnold, and Elaine Rizzo, accompanied by Dianne Dulin at the piano, sang "Prayer of Hansel and Gretel" as a ninth grade vocal ensemble at the music contest.



Joyce Boothby, Judy Boothby, Debbie LeFever, Renee Buschey, Tim Dennie, Bill Miller, and Bill McCray won a first medal at the annual music contest with the song "You'll Never Walk Alone" by Rodgers. Pam Ealing accompanied at the piano.

Mrs. Meese Gives Pupils Music Understanding

Interested students have joined together to form the vocal ensembles below. These girls and boys work hard learning the techniques of correct breathing, standing, and making sweet music. They also perform in the NISBOVA contest.





Varsity Choir, directed by Mrs. Meese, strives for greater singing ability and pleasure.

This group performed for many convocations, including the Christmas program when they sang many numbers.

NISBOVA Contest Highlights Vocal Music Year

Mrs. Meese, seated at the piano, is assisting Bob Homan and Karen Ogle with their solo numbers for the NISBOVA contest. Each received a superior rating.



Future varsity choir members gain experience in seventh grade training choir under the guidance of Mrs. Meese.





Learning to give correct and interesting facts to Portage students is the aim of Packet reporters. These students work hard each month to present the latest news in an interesting and humorous newspaper.

Putting out a good monthly Packet was the goal of the people involved in sixth and seventh period Publications. Nila Roush, far left seated, was the editor-in-chief, while Mr. Bostic, center, served as advisor.

Packet Brings Monthly Portage News

Under the direction of Mr. Frank Bostic, the Portage Packet is put together and distributed monthly.

During the sixth period publications class, students learn about writing copy, layout of the pages, taking pictures, and discovering

These members of the 1964-65 Portarama staff spent many long hours after school putting the yearbook together. Pictured in the front row left to right are Mr. Bostic, sponsor, Barbara Buketoff, Tom Karol, Kathy Kaough, Debbie Rondot, Terry Vaughn, Stan Fishman, Mike Rathert, Todd Spiller, Ned Starnes, what should go into a good newspaper. The Packet is also an interesting seventh period activity for anyone wishing to express themselves in writing. Nila Roush was editor-inchief.

Gregg Nieman and Grendel Burrell,

Standing back row left to right are Mrs. Wellman, advisor, Marlene Tutwiler, Liz Greenler, Katy Fishman, Linda Summers, Bobbie Sanders, Pat Williams, Ann Bresler, Nila Roush, Cheryl Richards, editor-inchief, Nancy Scrogham, Greg Gwin, and Chris Tyler.





Pictured here are the Portarama members and Mrs. Wellman, one of the advisors, as they carefully examine a few layout sheets. Standing left to right are Mike Rathert, Gregg Neiman, Todd Spiller, Debbie Rondot, Ann Bresler, Alix Haynes, Marlene

Tutwiler, Barbara Buketoff, Liz Greenler, Nancy Scrogham, Grendel Burrell, and Bobbie Sanders. Seated left to right are Lorraine Kuhn, Mrs. Wellman, Cheryl Richard, Terry Vaughn, and Katy Fishman.

1964-65 School Memories Recorded In Book

Staff members of the Portarama work hard to bring you the past year's memories in the most interesting ways.

Cheryl Richards, editor-in-chief, spent many nightime hours planning this year's book. She spent much extra time after school with Mr. Bostic and Mrs. Wellman, advisors.

First steps are important in planning a good year-book. Cheryl Richard, editor, is talking over problems of layout, photography, and copy with faculty advisors, Mr. Bostic and Mrs. Wellman.

Nila Roush, editor-in-chief, Tom Frisby, lay-out editor, and Mr. Bostic, advisor, study the composition of one of the editions of the 1964-65 Packet.







Stepping Into Yells Is Part Of Cheerleading

Ninth grade cheerleaders are performing one of the many cheers they learned during the 1964-65 season. Shown left to right are Beth Eger, Jeannette Woods, Vicki Wilson, Sarah Latz, Suzanne Meyers, and Leslie Hinton.



"Give us an orange, orange, orange," yelled varsity and reserve cheerleaders at games throughout the football and basketball season. School spirit and morale have been raised, with the help of the pep club, by these groups. Mrs. Egley has been valuable in the training of these girls. She is sponsor.

Pep sessions were the time for the introduction of many new cheers. The gym roared with "G-r-rreat," boomed with "Thunderation," and shook with "Cheer for Portage, Go Rams Go." Our pep club was also sponsored by Mrs. Egley.

Pep club members helped the varsity and reserve cheerleaders at games and pep sessions.



Giving the teams a big boost with plenty of loud cheering was the purpose of the Pep Club. This year's group did a fine job of cheering the Rams on to victory.

Basketball Cheerleaders Provide Games' Pep

Pictured from left to right are Beth Eger, Leslie Hinton, Suzanne Meyers (standing), Sara Latz, Jeanette Woods, and Vicki Wilson. Ninth grade cheerleaders brought forth enthusiastic cheers at the varsity games.





Members meet every Monday and Wednesday nights in the shop where they have their choice of drag racing or racing on a figure-8 track.

Spanish, Hungarian, and Ram Rodders Auto Clubs picture the varied interests of Portage students. These clubs do not have a lot in common, but this just illustrates that people like different activities.

Mr. Short, having built the road-racing tracks, teaches the many interested boys some techniques of building and racing automobiles.

Language and customs of the country are taught by Miss Szegedy and Mr. Septer in their clubs.

Decorating a Christmas tree, Hungarian style, is one of the many things taught in Miss Szegedy's Hungarian Club.



Mr. Werking and Mr. Short organized one of the most popular clubs in the school year with the founding of the Ram-rodders Auto Racing Club. The group enjoys racing model cars.

Clubs Are Just One Step Towards Social Growth

Spanish Club generally consists of the members of the Spanish class. The main purpose of this club is to help those who are having difficulties with their Spanish assignments.





Mr. Didier helps the members of the Drama Club in planning plays which sometimes are used in school assemblies,

The Drama Club also helped during the candy sale by giving demonstrations on how and how not to sell candy.

Lights out, curtain up and a play begins. Students of Mr. Didier's Drama Club displayed many of their abilities in dramatics throughout the year.

Other interests fall in the category of learning to work with unusual words and learning to improve spelling and reading skills. Proper control of the voice is another important skill learned.

Joining A Club Is A Step In The Right Direction

Attendance of students at the Word Clue Club meetings help improve their reading skills and abilities.



Mrs. Fox's Teen-Age Book and Spelling Club (TABS) replaced the two former book and spelling clubs of past years. Members work on quizzes and puzzles.





Using various mathematical symbols and materials are the steps Mrs. Madigan's Math Club students use to enhance their knowledge of the subject. Pictured in the front row are Jim Hill and Paul Bonnett. Standing are Mrs. Madigan, Steve Oswalt, and Bob Boger.



"X-24=108" is a typical problem solved by Marsha Bailey, Alan Haak, John Watters, and Gregg Neiman during Mr. Frey's Math Club.

Nimble Fingers, Brain Power Needed In Clubs

Fingers poised and minds alert, typists prepare to practice their stroking drills with speed and accuracy, their goal in Typing Club, guided by Mr. Gebhard, supervisor.

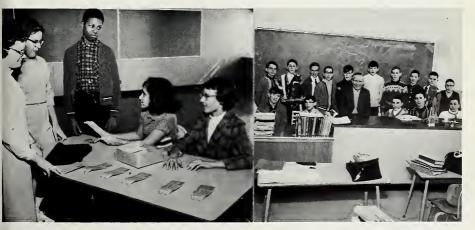




Learning to operate machines and working with their hands, boys enjoy the Drafting Club sponsored by Mr. Short. It had approximately 18 members.

Students Learn In Ever-Developing Fields

Clyde Dickie, standing center, watches as members of the Banking Club accept a deposit from two investors. Mr. Edwards sponsors the club which collects money from students on Monday. Mr. Amstutz's Outdoor Life Club spent much time listening and learning how to trap and hunt wild animals. Members also spent time learning about less important outdoor creatures and insects.





Castling and King's Indian Defense are just a few of the moves taught in the Chess Club by Mr. Septer, faculty advisor. The Club held its annual tournament late in the year.



Learning the steps in operating such machines as the movie projector, the tape recorder, the opaque projector, and the record player are the goals of members of Mr. Newnum and Mr. Werking's Audio-Visual Club.

Putting the final touches on a vase is Miss Hills, who has charge of the Art Club. Students learn to improve their artistic abilities in the Club.



Extra Activities Improve Various Hidden Talents Of Industrious Youths

Fundamentals of sewing are taught by Mrs. Bowers to the seven members in her Sewing Club. Learning basic stitches is the first step to becoming a good seamstress.



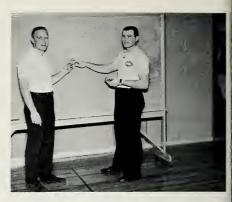




Backfield men on the ninth grade team included in the front row left to right, Terry Benjamin, Craig Bushey, Booker Dunbar, Leigh Smith, and Lorenzo Stewart. Back row left to right are Randy Walker, Jack Houser, John Dahman, and John Winter. Regular Rick Dahman was injured just before the picture was taken and was not present for it.

Varsity football linemen included in the front row left to the right, Bob Shank, Dave Byrd, Tom Frisby, Richard Kelley, Leslie Smith, and Gregg Neiman. Second row are Danny Buell, Greg Stevenson, Steve Crooks, Tom Theye, and Terry Farris. In the back row are Phil Bischoff, Ronnie Bratton, Rex Watters, Mark Boling, Gary Austin, Dick Frisby, and Melvin Miller.





Varsity football coach Robert Short, right, and assistant Max Amstutz prepare a "razzle-dazzle" play for their next game.

Varsity Football

	Varsity Football	
We		They
0	Weisser Park	7
19	Harrison Hill	6
14	Fairfield	0
7	Lakeside	20
0	Ben Geyer	0
6	Franklin	21

Blocking is a basic skill taught in football. Here Gregg Neiman is seen throwing a block on Bob Shank as coaches Robert Short and Max Amstutz look on.







Coach Darrel Heaston

Members of Mr. Heaston's eighth grade football team for 1964 were, front row, left to right: Mr. Heaston, Randy Ridgley, Bill Roberts and William Washington. Second row, left to right: Dave Clendenen, Tim Schrock, Tom Ransom, and Don Birdwell. Third row, left to right: Dave Bruner, Tom Jones, Matt Cavell, Jeff Banks and Robert Heredia. In the top row are Mike Rathert, Pat Dahman, Ned Starnes, Larry Scherer, Paul Hughes and John Glass.

	Reserve Football	
We		They
6	Franklin	0
12	Northwood	19
12	Kekionga	19
0	Lakeside	6

	Seventh	Football	
We			They
6	Lane		0
7	Harrison	Hill	6
24	Franklin		0





Attention of these seventh grade boys is focused on the blackboard as they learn football plays from Mr. Heaston, seventh and eighth grade coach.

Cleaning basketballs, folding uniforms, and keeping the equipment in order for the varsity boys are just a few of the jobs that Greg Tudor and Steve Crooks perform as student managers. This trains them to become responsible people.



Members of the 1964-65 varsity basketball team kneeling left to right are John Dahman, Terry Stoll, Wayne Workman, Ronnie Salmon, Eric Ornas, and Randy Walker. Standing left to right are Coach Heaston, Booker Dunbar, Mark Boling, Tim Pease, Leigh Smith, Ronnie Bratton, and Calvin Jones.

	Varsity Results	
We	·	They
22	Fairfield	48
41	Weisser Park	50
31	Kekionga	38
37	Harrison Hill	36
31	Franklin	50
38	Northwood	23
38	Ben Geyer	53
29	Lakeside	32
38	Kekionga (Tourney)	53
45	Harrison Hill	44
15	Central High	45
25	Ben Geyer	31
24	Central High	51
32	Weisser Park	41

Mr. Heaston instructs first string basketball boys on new plays and techniques for the coming games.



Rams Suffer Rough Basketball Campaign

Team play is important in winning ball games.





George Brimm and Charles Dunbar show jumping skills while other members of the reserve squad are ready to grab the ball.

Seventh Basketball



Portage reserve players battle for the ball during the tournament game against Kekionga. The visiting Warriors won by a 30-27 score.

Reserve Scores

Reserve Team Exhibits True Sportsmanship

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We		They	We		They
45	Harrison Hill	27	23	Kekionga	27
29	Central Junior	39	33	Ben Geyer	40
57	Franklin	31	12	Central Jr.	52
			38	Lakeside	23
			38	Adams	52
			23	Weisser Park	53
			30	Harrison Hill	59
			23	Fairfield	54
			29	Franklin	31
			37	Northwood	26
			27	Kekionga (Tourney)	30

Seventh and eighth grade reserve basketball players practice lay-ups, foul shooting, and jump shots with Coach Larry Johnson. Getting the ball over the out-stretched hands of a teammate is important.





Mr. Heaston's Monday night intramurals play a wide variety of games. Ninth graders seem to be having fun playing bombardment.



Of all the games played in Mr. Bostic's Tuesday night intramurals, basketball seemed to be the favorite. A tourney was held at the end of the season.

Boys' Intramurals Provide Every Boy With

Indoor football, touch variety, was enjoyed by members of Mr. Johnson's Wednesday evening intramurals class when it was raining on the outside.



"You're Out!" shouts Mr. Mattix as he calls a close play at home during his intramural class. Tom Neumann is seen tagging out John Hoffman.





Getting that first tip is always important in any basketball game, whether it be intramural or varsity. Here Tim Raymer fights Gary Austin for the tip.



Mr. Bostic's intramural class, along with the other three, played games that are keeping in step with the season. Boys were assigned teams and the Dinks won the regular season schedule. The Tomahawks surprised and won the tourney.

Chance To Play A Variety Of Sports

Indoor whiffle ball is being played by these members of Mr. Mattix's Thursday evening intramural class. Emmett Evans is the batter.





Mr. Amstutz coached the varsity track team to a good start this season as the Rams defeated Weisser Park and then Harrison Hill in their first two meets.

All records are made to be broken and Portage athletes delight in doing just that. Booker Dunbar, a ninth grader, and Clyde Dickie and Rick Chamberlain, seventh graders, were successful in breaking school records during the last season.

These boys are taught the skills for participating in track and represented the eighth grade this season. They were coached by Mr. Johnson.



Track Events

Built mostly around experience and practice, Portage's track squad headed into a rugged nine-meet regular season in 1965.

William Washington demonstrates a winning form in broad jump as he competes against Weisser Park, Aboite Township and Adams in a quadrangular meet.





Seventh, eighth, and ninth grade girls enjoy doing various stunts in Tumbling Club. Above is a demonstration by the girls on how to construct a very different type pyramid. The Club meets on Thursday evening and is under the direction of Miss Jenkins.

Girls In Sports

Volleyball is one of the many games taught in girls' extramurals under the direction of Miss Jenkins.

Many girls enjoy ninth grade extramurals. This group visits other junior highs and extramural players in the city. Games played by these girls include volleyball, basketball, and soccer, depending upon the season. The group meets every Friday with the sponsor, Miss Jenkins.

Ninth grade girls, under the direction of Miss Jenkins, enjoy participating in Extramural sports. These girls played other girls in soccer and basketball.





"Girls in stripes" from the ninth grade Girls Officials Club are shown officiating a basketball game for seventh grade physical education classes.

Officials Club, supervised by Miss Janet Jenkins, and Intramurals, sponsored by Mrs. Egley, are two activities open to seventh, eighth, and ninth grade girls. The girls learn the rules of sports and practice the skills involved. Much knowledge and added skills are acquired in these clubs.

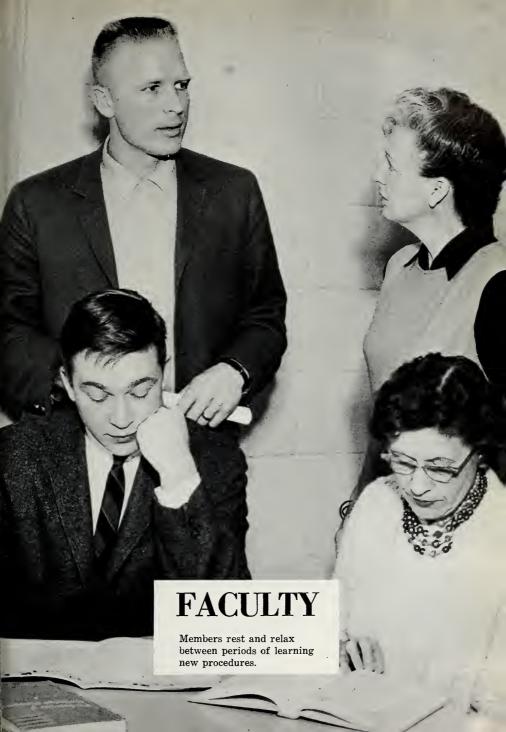


Ninth grade girls have an opportunity to learn the rules of many sports and then are provided with the chance to apply their knowledge of them in Officials Club. These girls also assist Miss Jenkins in physical education classes.

Girls Play Many Games

Girls intramurals is one of the most popular seventh period activities for girls. Members enjoy playing basketball, volleyball, baseball, soccer and many other interesting sports.







Under the competent guidance of our principal, Dr. Hugh Kariger, the school functions smoothly and a good education is provided every student.



Advising students on choice of subjects for their tenth grade year is just one of the many functions Mr. Casso, performs as guidance director. He is shown here helping Mike VanBuskirk make his selections.

A Trip To The Office Finds Us These Faces



Miss Jenkins, girls' guidance director, is seated in her office counseling Nila Roush and Jeanette Woods.



Mrs. Bertha Scott, standing, and Mrs. Lucy Hults, Portage secretaries, play an important role in the everyday smooth functioning of the office. These able and capable ladies perform many tasks for students which are not considered part of their job.

MR. MAX AMSTUTZ Science, Biology

MR. FRANK BOSTIC English, Developmental Language, Publications

MRS. VIRGINIA BOWERS
General Health, Home Ec., Biology

MR. DAVID DIDIER English, Latin, French

MR. JOHN EDWARDS Social Studies

MRS. KAREN EGLEY
Mathematics, Physical Education

MRS. MARTHA EICKHOFF Developmental Reading, English

MRS. LA NOLA FOX
English, Developmental Language

MR. MARVIN FREY Science, Algebra, General Mathematics

MR. DONALD GEBHARD
Mathematics

MRS. LYDIA GOWDY Social Studies

MR. MAX HAUK Science





MR. DARRELL HEASTON Boys Physical Education

MISS DOROTHY HILLS Art, English

MRS. ELIZABETH HUGHES
Study Hall

MRS. LUCILLE HULTS-Secretary

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MR. RICHARD MATTIX.
Social Studies

MRS. MILDRED MEESE English, Music

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MR. ROBERT SHORT
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MISS ELIZABETH SZEGEDY
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MRS. THELMA WELLMAN
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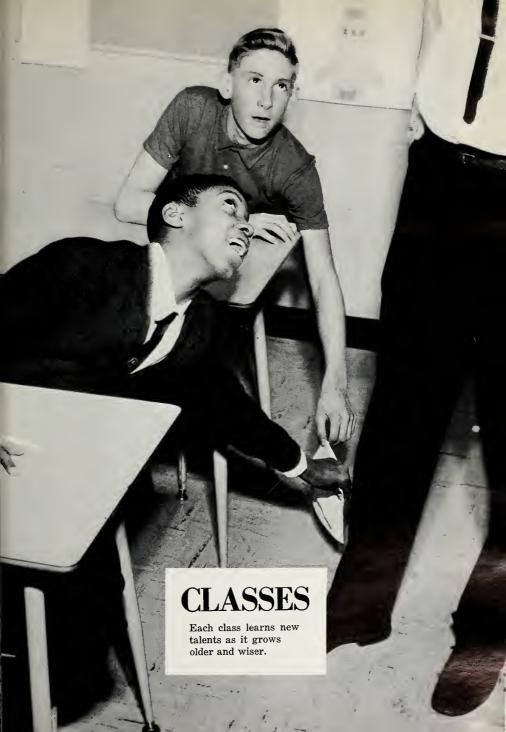
Seldom Seen Persons Play Vital Success Role

Much unsaid praise is due the above women who efficiently prepare our daily lunch. Day in and day out cheerful service is given by left to right, Mrs. Esther Dunlap, Mrs. Pauline Snyder, Mrs. Ernestine Hobbs, Mrs. Thresa Fredericks, Mrs. Lila Hammond, Mrs. Beulah Gwaltney, Mrs. Erma Miller, and Mrs. Edna Prather. Absent when the picture was taken was Mrs. Wanda Hart and Mrs. Alice Meyer.

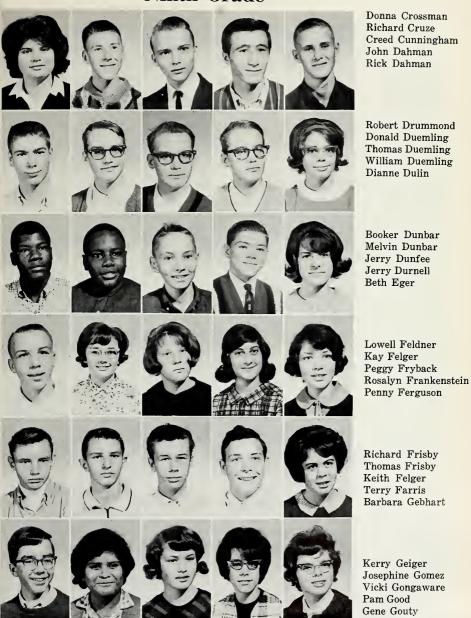


These five people deserve much credit for doing such a wonderful job keeping our building clean and attractive. Left to right in the photo are Miss Hilda Linnemeyer, Mr. Carl Carpenter, Mr. Rudy Weisback, Mr. Glenn Daugherty, and Mr. Robert Mossburg. Their work is a never ending job.



















Allen Zartman Betty Zehender Katy Dickmeyer Vicki Gongaware Judy Humbarger

Cheryl Kolb Christine Welling Jeanette Woods

Study Hall Advantage Given Ninth Graders

Good study habits make better pupils. Ninth grade students have a chance to get in some quiet study and concentration during study hall under the supervision of Mrs. Hughes.





Karen Abbott Lois Aker James Arnett Connie Austin Mary Bailer Paul Bailer

Candace Bailey Cheryl Sue Ballman Jeff Banks Richard Barnett Ronald Barnett Mary Barnhouse

Donna Barrand Linda Beineke Bill Bilger Don Birdwell June Bischoff Tom Black

Steven Blough Michael Bodle Linda Boggs Jonathan Bonifas Julia Boone Joyce Boothby

Judy Boothby Ann Bresler George Brimm Irene Brown Annie Broughton James Brown

Jan Brown David Bruner Barbara Buketoff Donald Burget Richard Burget Cora Burgo

Ronald Burley Grendel Burrell Rene Buschey James Butts Tom Callow David Capps

Rickey Capps Matthew Cavell Brenda Charlton Bill Christie Gayleen Claflin Roger Clark



David Clendenen Sandra Coleman Steve Crismore Barbara Crossman Patrick Dahman Barbara Davis

Jim Davis Steve De Crandchamp Timothy Dennie Christine Dennis Larry Dever Linda Dixie

Judy Douglas Michael Duffey Hattie Dunbar Pamela Ealing Pamela Ellet John Escosa

Jeffrey Evans Steve Fair Bruce Ferry Katy Fishman Stan Fishman Barry Franklin

Charles Frye Gaylord Gaulden Kathy Gasper Dennis Geiger Steven Georgi Dana Gillie

John Glass Joseph Gomez Sharon Gordon Judy Green Elizabeth Greenler Philip Guy

Gregory Gwin Elmer Hahn Dennis Hardiek Julie Hardiek Sue Harmon Timothy Hawkins

Jimmy Hawthorne Alix Haynes David Heasley Robert Heredia Nancy Hinton Finley Hood



Paul Hughes Angela Hull Robert Hull Jo Ann Jackson Steven Jahn Judy Jarrett

Max Jenkins Sharon Jenkins Kathryn Johnson Thomas Jones Kathy Kaough Thomas Karol

Carmen King Jackie King Randy Kolb Dave Laisure Alice Langston Nancy Langston

Patricia Lee Deborah Lefever Jeannette Lemmon Melody Lesh Annie Leshore Patricia Lloyd

Tony Mengona Larry Martin Wm. McCray Paul McKeeman Maria Male Kathleen Mann

Sheila Marley Roberto Martinez Paul Martz Bettina McPherson Billy Miller Melvin Miller

Sharon Miller Bonnie Mills Carol Moon Eddie Moyer Marjorie Nicodemus Charles Odier

Karen Ogle Donald Osterman Steven Oswalt Susan Parnin Freddie Pena Cynthia Phillips



Nina Poling Morisena Poore Ted Pyle Carolyn Ramer Thomas Ransom Mike Rathert

Dave Ray
Tim Raymer
Brenda Reichard
Jeffrey Reichert
Steven Richardson
Randy Ridgley

Bil! Roberts Wilma Roman Debra Rondot Paula Rose Gary Roy Kathleen Sample

Alex Sanchez Bobbie Sanders Larry Scherer Richard Scherer Robert Schrader Tim Schrock

Mike Schroeder Charles Schultz Kay Schweitzner Susan Scribner Brenda Singleton Clifford Smith

Marsha Smith Tom Smith Marjorie Snawder James Solga Eugene Spillers Todd Spiller

Nancy Scrogham Jane Sprague Stanley Squier Jeffrey Stahly Ned Starnes Linda Summers

Joseph Szabo Lavone Thomas John Thomason Michael Teel Sally Terry Scott Tracy



Marleen Tutwiler Chris Tyler Bill Utter Randy Vaughn Terry Vaughn Ethel Walker

Paul Walters Wm. Washington Sarah Watters Ellie Wheeler Donnita Whitman Patricia Williams

Jack Wilson Barbara Wright Connie Wright Nancy Wright Patty Wright Linda Wyatt

Debra Yarman Nancy Yeiter Steve Yount Margaret Zartman Rex Kuhn

Bulletin boards in the corridors often are very informative as can be seen by this one on the Constitution which Mrs. Gowdy has put on display. Eighth graders are viewing the articles and amendments.







Louis Aguirre
Joe Alvarez
Steve Archer
John Atkinson
Deborah Avery
Brent Bailey

Jack Baker Kenton Baker Ronnie Baker Glenna Barrand Janet Baumgardner Andrea Bayer

Johnny Beaver Richard Beck Donald Becraft Ronald Bell Paul Benjamin Terry Bierman

Linda Black Carolyn Biglow Daniel Blough Debra Blough Tom Borne Sue Boger

Vicki Boissenet Paul Bonnett Debbie Bonsib Sherrie Books Robert Boger Tom Boyd

Herb Brandt Joelene Brown Billie Jo Brubaker Neil Bryson Pat Bubb Leslie Buchwald

James Burkhart Melody Burns Carolyn Busse Max Byrd Dawn Carter Steven Cavell

Rick Chamberlain Teresa Chandler Frank Charlton Barbara Cole Darrell Cole Connie Coleman





Gary Moore Janice Morgan Mary Morimano Gary Morningstar James Morr Vicki Mundt

Russell Myers Jim Nelson Tom Neumann Bill Norris Mike Orr Diana Osterman

Christine Ostrand Pamela Parnin Gordon Paschall Linda Phillips Joe Pronesti Daniel Quickery

Laverne Ransom Randy Revert Rickie Ravert Earl Richard Philip Rizzo Nilsa Roman

Steve Rose Ernest Rust Susan Ruttenberg Cheryl Sanders Linda Scheidler Sandra Scott

William Sharp Dave Sharp Alex Shiriaev Roberta Ann Shrock Sandra Shull Willis Simmons

Karen Smith Terry Smith David Snyder Nancy Snyderman Jerry Sparkman Karen Speakman

Kenneth Squier Todd Sterling Celeste Steward Susan Sunderland Sue Taylor John Theye



Carol Tolliver Melvin Tracey David Turner Ann Underwood Jan Wade Carol Ware

Ted Watson Mark Watters Johnnie Wehrle Jane Weicker Janet Weinraub Vickie Wetzel

Gail Wheeler Thelo White Tom Wilkinson Francine Williams Herbert Willis Douglas Wolfe

Kristina Wolfe Norma Jean Woods James Worthman Michael Wyatt Mary Moreno Ron Comer

Getting to class on time was a major problem for seventh graders entering school in September. The problem — mastering the combinations on their lockers. Later on in the year this was no longer a problem for anyone.





Kent Baker and Doc Watters played a trumpet duet during the Talent Show held March 5.



Debbie Yarman performed for the audience by tap dancing at the Talent Show.

Students, Teachers Reveal "Hidden" Talents



Linda Boggs and Maria Male share a rewarding experience as they demonstrate a commercial for "shaving cream."



Does this bring back memories of the first PTA meeting, Mrs. Wellman and Mrs. Gowdy? The two had twin coats and tried to trade. Only the fitting presented an obstacle to the trade.

The Contours, L. to R. Tim Schrock, Steve Crooks, on drums, Peter Lytle, Dennis Geiger, and Matt Cavell send girls into hysterics performing at the Talent Show.



Leanne Casso, Angela Casso, and Denise Sinclair, left to right, entertained at the Talent Show with a musical number.





Although the day seems long around 2 p.m., students still have enough energy to run from the building when the last bell rings.

School draws to a close and students rush to catch the bus or ride their bicycles home.

As the day draws to a close, steps toward home are taken by Portage's many students and teachers.

Junior high school is just one of the steps forward to a sound education. Memories of teachers, after school dances, sports events, and the tough classroom and homework assignments are reminders of the education we should never be ashamed we received.

The Portarama staff, Cheryl Richards, editor-in-chief, and its advisors, Mr. Frank Bostic and Mrs. Thelma Wellman, have spent many hours in trying to capture the events of the past school year. They have worked hard to produce the 1964-65 events as they really were.

We hope that we have produced a yearbook that will bring back the sentimental memories of the good and enjoyable events we shared together at Portage this year.

We offer our thanks to all who helped during the school year. Our special thanks go to Leon Kolwenko who designed the cover for it. Hours of hard work spiced with a little fun have been encountered by Portarama staff members. We credit the success of this book to them and wish to thank all those who helped in any part with it.















